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NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATIONS FROM STREAMLINED TREATMENT

WC Docket No. 07-115

The applications listed in this notice have been removed from streamlined treatment pursuant to the Commission's streamlined procedures for domestic section 214 transfer of control applications.¹ Section 63.03(c)(1)(v) of the Commission's rules provides that, at any time after an application is filed, the Commission, acting through the Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, may notify an applicant that its application is being removed from streamlined processing where the Commission "determines that the application requires further analysis to determine whether a proposed transfer of control would serve the public interest."²

Domestic Section 214 Applications Filed for the Transfer of Control of StarVox Communications, Inc. and Capital Telecommunications, Inc. to U.S. Wireless Data, Inc., WC Docket No. 07-115

On June 6, 2007, the Commission released a public notice accepting for streamlined processing two domestic section 214 applications involving StarVox Communications, Inc. ("StarVox"), Capital Telecommunications, Inc. ("CTI"), and U.S. Wireless Data, Inc. ("USWI") (collectively, "Applicants"). Specifically, the Applicants request authority to transfer control of StarVox and CTI to USWI. On June 20, 2007, the Department of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the Department of Justice, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation (collectively, the "Executive Branch Agencies"), filed a letter requesting that the Commission defer grant of these applications while the Executive Branch Agencies address potential national security, law enforcement, and public safety concerns. ⁴

⁴⁷ C.F.R. § 63.03; Implementation of Further Streamlining Measures for Domestic Section 214 Authorizations, 17 FCC Rcd 5517 (2002) (Streamlining Order).

² See 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(c)(1)(v).

Domestic Section 214 Applications Filed For the Transfer of Control of StarVox Communications, Inc. and Capital Telecommunications, Inc. to U.S. Wireless Data, Inc., WC Docket No. 07-115, Public Notice, DA 07-2350 (rel. June 6, 2007).

⁴ See Letter from Stephen Heifetz, Director, Foreign Financial and Investment Issues, United States Department of Homeland Security, to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC, WC Docket No. 07-115 (filed June 20, 2007).

These applications are being removed from streamlined review in response to the request filed by the Executive Branch Agencies. Final action on these applications should be expected once the Commission has received notification from the Executive Branch Agencies that the evaluation has been completed, but not later than 180 days from public notice that the applications were accepted for filing.⁵

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